The Trey O' Hearts A Novelized Version of the Motion Ficture Drama of the Same Name Produced by the Universal Film Co.

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> Capyright, 1914, by Louis Joseph Vance and commented confully:

> > "That goes double here," his com-

panion rejoined. "And the way I

see it. I've got a right to do ell the

cussing at this juncture of our bero's

foolish, but fascinating adventures,

my last faith in centle weman's gentle-

"If you inflicted any such monologue

"There's gratitude for you!" Mr.

the excriniting noise you make." Mr.

A silken whisper troubled the si-

"I'm going away from here," Mr.

"Walf a second," Alan Law insisted,

rising in turn and grasping the other

by the arm "They've got to land-

while they look for us. Well, then,

In the next breath, "Look cutt" he

within fifty feet of them, a ghastly

flare broke out in full blaze on the

shape of a dory which had drawn in

darkness, and at the same time dis-

Before they could stir the weird

tight glimmered on a polished weapon

in the bow of the boat, a spiteful longue of reddish flame spat out, a

bullet sang between Messra Law and

Barcus, and with a sad thud of disap-

pointment buried itself in the sands of

Like twin automatons stirred to se-

tion by the report, the two turned and pelted off down the beach, to escape

Other shots sped after them, but

none was so well aimed, and oresently,

finding a break in the bluff, they

swung off into the grainful shelter of

Meantime the dory had grounded on

four or five of them, all men, appar

of the fugitives, following the tracks

The blackness of the night, how-

ever, conspired with the savage laby-

rinth of the dunes to save Alan and

Within another five minutes while

still the pursuit floundered and bias-

phomed at random a round quarter

mile to the south-Mr Law and Mr.

Barcus were noiselessly soutrming on

their beliles. like two snakes in the

beach-grass, up the back of a ten-foot

bluff. And presently from its brow

they looked down on the spot where

the dary lay, only its bow out of water,

its stern affeat, under armed guard.

to his feet and awang back over his

shoulder a heavy club of driftwood.

Very slowly and stealthily Alan got

A match spluttered beside the dory

with its reddish glow a broused and

The guard puffed fast and had the

tubacco well aglow when the sky took

advantage of his truetfulness and fell

Simultaneously Alan and Parcus de-

miniature landslides, dug themselves

out, and by the time the dased and

disarmed guard had sufficiently recov-

upon him like an avalanche.

the wave-eaten bluff behind them.

that deadly area of illumination.

the night-wrapped dunes.

in the sand.

his companien.

evil visage

startled figures on the beach.

across the waters. Gradually it gath

the lisp of cautious cars.

Law explained. "Besides-Baten!"

as that on Judith," retorted Mr. Law,

you, and I'm sorry ! interfered "

me talk about it!"

dones and -

ahricked

Gee!" he pursued vindictivaly.

CHAPTER XIV.

A Double Escape. On Nauset Beach, in the shank of a

midsummer night, two men sprawled on the sands, some distance back from the water, and listened to the heavy thumping of their evertaxed bearts, and panted.

Now and again one would lift his head and stare out over the black face of the waters at a little line of red. exclaimed previably. "I'm sorrier than dish flames about a mile off shore, all that remained to witness to the fact that, an hour since, there two had you've lost is your temper." been in command of as trim a small achooner as over ventured the coast- of the well-known sex," Mr. Barens ill-faith. wise trip from Portland to New York | corrected. "Nothing can ever restore

As far out again shens the starboard light of a becalmed schooner, whose people had been directly responsible for the dicarter which had overtaken the simpler vessel.

In the course of time, beginning to breathe with more case, one of the two marconed gentlemen eald: What I can't understand anyway

thought we'd be asses enough to stay aboard the Senventure and get burned

The other replied: "Did they?" Looks that way -donn't it? If they didn't, why were we permitted to swim ashore at our elegant leisure? There was nothing to prevent their rowing round to cut us off."

Maybe they did, at that, and missed us, Mr. Law-and-Order!"

"Hite-"

"We were a wee mits excited you've got to admit. It's just possible we didn't hear the noise of their oars. And it's black enough for them to Bureus remarked bitterly. I risk my delight. "Alan!" have everlooked us. A man's head in the water isn't really a conspleuous object on a dark night Tell me, Harris, what a the near-

est symptom of civilization?"

"Chatham village," said Mr. Harvus. "six miles to the no'th'ards, and cut off attentive eitener. by an inlet a mile or so wide at that." Mr. Law grouned soulfully

Then there's the lighthouse on Monomoy point," Mr. Bareus pursued, "three miles to the south."

Mr. Law said nothing whatever to this.

"Of course," his companion reflected Bareus announced guardedly, and gathmorosely, "this had to happen in mid ored his legs under him preparatory summer! A mouth earlier we'd have to chains



With a Cry: "Rosn!"

had the life-saving patrol to look to for protection. But the service is sus- the beach, and its several occupantspended in June and July.

A allence commenced eloquently on ently-jumping out, set off in pursuit this assertion, broken only when Mr. Law voiced a thought bred of lung and malignant observation of the schoonor's green aya

"Fd give a deaf to know who a aboard that vessel."

You don't mean you think your regular young woman- ? Judith kidnaped

Rose to Portland. That's not so far from Glencester; a motor car could have caught that schooner before she sailed to waytay us, this morning, And what better way to take care of an abla-bodied, full-tempered girl you've kidnaped than to ship her somewhere by sea, in the care of trustworthy

"Don't ask me-I've done very little. kidnapins for one of my years."
"For tuppence," said Mr Lew, "I'd. risk a swim off to that boat and soo

"For two million dollars I would

not!" Bareus affirmed with great deent or so later the line of

little flames went out altogether and unexpectedly; and the owner of the late Scaventure tenered he could hear. even at that distance, the him of d and amoldering timbers sucked

"exit Seaventure," with heroic gosture.

Alan Law sat up, abstractedly acrub. making excellent time in the direction on a crust of sand from his cheeks of that louely green light.

and furiously -- without attempt to still the splashing of their blades. Concealment of their purpose from those who remained aboard the schooner was out of the question. The abouts, the shots, the play of flashlamps along the beach as though Bedlam had loosed half a dozen lunatic will o' the wisps upon the hely peace of night-must have betrayed the fact that they had turned the tables fong

They wrought with the cars like

men possessed, yet with a machine-

like precision that drove the boat fast

before the dory left the inshore shouls. The commonest precautions, how ever, made them pause and rest upon their oars while yet a little way from their goal.

Only an ominous stience rewarded the utmost efforts of their straining senses no sound was andible other than the gentle whine of an ungreased block: nothing was visible beyond the I'm the injured party it was my boat, sinister glare of that almost stationary and now it's gone. I'm broke for fair, green lantern.

What think?" Barcus inquired in "Oh, let up, can't you!" Mr. Law a dublous undertone

"No telling," Alan replied in the you are and after all, it's my loss; eame manner. "All a chance."

"You've got that gun hands "-with I've got to buy you another boat. All reference to the rifle of which they "And my susceptibility to the charms had despoiled the victim of the sky's

Then-let's go to ft! Give way!" A dozen lusty strokes brought them When you brought that young woman aboard I thought butter alongside the schooner, and as the wouldn't melt in her mouth, and for a dory scraped the water of the larger while I actually contemplated doing vessel the two young men dropped her the kindness of tipping you over oars, rose, and setting the low guninto the drink, so's she could lavish wales, lifted thomselves to the deck

her tender affections on a regular guy, Nothing opposed them; the deck was someone shie to appreciate her -mean- ignorant of other fontsteps than their is why these damned thugs out there ing me, of course. And first thing I own, the schooner as effect as only a know, she ups and points a gun at my becalmed ship can be. Without further consultation, Alan head and tips me overboard, and then

makes a pretty benfire out of my led quickly aft and down the compansailbont. And all the excuse you can lonway to the cabin, where a dim light produce is that she's crazy in the burned-a smoky lamp awinging in head! Well, who said she wasn't? glmbals above a cluttered table Of the two stateroom doors one dis-Any woman who would consent to

slope with you is a fit subject for a closed an empty cabin, the other was commission de lunatico inquirendo, all locked. Trying the handle roughly. Alan

famuled be heard a sound within Pany. ing, he called, with a thrill of tearful I don't blame her for trying to slay hope Molto, in there!"

The respone was vry of increditions.

By was of answer Alan burled him fife for you, and you won't even let self bodily against the door. At the "It lan't your talking I mind-it's second impact of shoulders backed by a hundred and eighty pounds at solid flesh and determination, the lock splin-For a moment the two maintained tered away from its socket, the door flew open with a bang and Alan into the room with a cry "Rose!"

His sweetheart met him half way, lence, a little flutter of sound from far. her arms uplifted, her countenance transfigured ered volume, became recognizable as

And Mr. Harcus turned and slowly ascended the companionway, his nose wrinkled with missivings.

Blest if I know how he thinks he can tell 'em apart," he remarked "Not that I blame bim for taking a chance, wouldn't pain me any to find out I'd kinsed the wrong girl by mistakenot that is, unless she didn't care for my technique.

"In that case," he allowed, "I guess what's to prevent our hiding in the the sequel would be apt to prave telerable agonizing! Some ten minutes later a ball from

With no warning whatever, and lovers the deck broke the embrace of the

a-coming! "Right o! Half a minute!

But that stipulated delay was any unseen under caver of the profound eral times multiplied before Alan we are by my reckening, somewhere showed up on deck to find Barcus in Nantucket sound, west of Monocovering to its occupants the two bending a laborious back to the cap-

"Lend a hand, can't you?" Barcus

Discoving stations on Nauset, boile with modern equipment-motor lifeboots and all and nothing will ever personds me that pack of walves would stick at breaking in and couffs cuting one of the same. It's as likely as not-only more so. Our present binipuss is to get the h-1 out of here and not advertise our exit, either. Take that port light in and downe it. while I do the same by the starboard. Then duck below, warn your Duleines. and put out the cable lamp. That way -if this blockness and our bull-luck only holds we may manage as eva-

There followed an exceedingly busy quarter of an hour for two constrained pitch darkness to grope their way about the decks and familiarize thereselves with the idiosyncrasics of a strange (wo-master Nevertheless, the end of that period found the echdonic with canvas full and shoets taut, a good easterly breeze abeam, swiftly weaving a wake southwards the light on Monomoy point watching her curi analy from over the starboard beam.

Hear anything more of that power boat?" Aian asked, joining Barcus by

"Nothing wind too fresh. Make yourself easy on the soft side of a plank here. I'll land you a kick in he slats when so minded or white t's your trick at the wheel."

stretched himself out on the deck "I way - Low!"

she expinin her presence aboard ""

I fancy thus caloredormed her while even louder volume. the stept in that hotel in Purtland. Value straining his vision against

toured composite voice of the ship in. If there were anything still to be

mist so thick that from the stern the question be the devil to pay! scalar of the vessel was almost invisble, the hows completely so,

fairly coeling with weariness, his eyes a face like a mank of fatigue.

he apologized thickly. as long as I cab. Take your trick and of fatience, instantly wrong tron, Rose give my forty winks.

Christoful acticitude brought Alan to quick to do what little also could be smartly to his jule, though he tomost alleviate their discomfort. For Parries was sluggish and stiff and sore in all she fetched a pillne and blanket from

didn't you call me scener?"

cursed for closed down a couple of for her half-famished loss hours ago. Now-God knows where

The Sixth Member of the Boarding Alan's spirite her Party Was Judith Trins



Now and Again One Would Lift His Head.

complained timeses beavily. "I didn't sharply three times, and the automatic and flamed in the still air, relieving interrupt your amours just to get an audience. The sooner we get this anchor in-Alan checked him with a hand on

in a tone tense with apprehension. The muffled running of a heavy-duty ing run down." marine motor drifted down on the scended the face of the bluff in two wings of the sluggish wind.

"Don't ask me-I'm afraid to guess!" "But they couldn't possibly!" Since when did you set up to be ered to cry cut for help the dory was a judge of possibilities? Nothing prob-

hern blared raucously a threefold respense up forward.

"Keep that going," he begged, "three blasts in a row and a minute his arm. "What's that?" he demanded interval and if the devil takes care of his own we may possibly escape be-

> With a sigh, relinquishing the wheel, he collapsed upon the deck and was almost instantly asleep.

The wind had fallen until barely enough air stiered to keep way on the vessel; she moved in stience, a spera hundred pards off the beach and able ever happened to you in all your trait ship upon a spectral sea of long. yong life-'s far's I can make out. As oily awells and the complexion of lead. me-I know there are at least two Hither and you in the obscurity, fog-



signals of other shipping sounded a their lives to the taffrail. concert of discordance—the man-With a chuckle, Alan obediently boat's exhaust with the number out sutwater.

ing now near, now far, though the com- rifled appeal You seem protty easy in your mind plaints of other shipping diminished about this young woman below. To in volume and died away in the dis- propeller! Stop yourme, show the same that tried to send times, giving place to others still, the me to Davy Jimes tocker. How does platter platter of that motor was never atsamable overwhelmed the legaer Much as I surmised. Alan replied. It seemed certain always to esturn in the schooner as a knife through

Whether or no. How wake up in a the blank pallor of the encompassing force of the blaw. losed motor car bound and gagged, fog Alan wondered, worried drended

from preoccopation, he would manipu Simple with you know how. Har late the brass pull on the wheel box, ter course, I always provoking the borne stattering blasts random, blindly termented by the overview before the name of any that seem a stranger in of protest. But the need for unremait. where of Rose enuglit in the suck of their with the suck of County death, now, and FII ting vigilance and exercise of the fogsignal failed none the less to recond The accesses already merging in with Alan to that Matant clumor which so the swint of the inegality series, the widely and so billiously advertised

heing, uncon-lapsness like a cloud peared from Judith and her crow-if. descended upon Alan's overwearied for instance, as Barcus had suggested. they had sought our one or the life. He works muthousit, with a yawn saving stations on Nauset bench, apand a shiver in the gray of a tarnished propriated its power-driven lifebout daybreak, to find that log promed and renewed the pursuit, if ever they heavily upon the face of the waters, a heard that horn there sentld beyond The honeliness of his vigil was even

really relieved by the appearance on Bureau stood over him, at the wheel, deck of the woman Alan loved.

The tablesa that greeted her vizion as blood-shot, swollen, and half-closed in she emerged from the companionway, of the haggard, unshaven wretch at Tan t keep this up much longer," the wheel and the other who lay at his "sto d it about best, where he had fallen, in a stuper in little very of activitiette. And also ake the cabin, and this one suffered her You're a brick?" he protested. "Why ministrations without one from his slumbers. Then hamening No good; I knew the way-you forward, she got the gullet fire going That is, I did until this are and prepared a makeshift breastast Warm food and has voided

they were lending a little tone to optimism. Yet nothing could gloss that gleanife whoel, drawn under the fact that the problem contracting ergshed and mangled by the propelle them was one whose solution baffled of the vast black high whose flank was Grasping a small brass handle their utmost ingening one the slinger sliding past, like the face of a cliff, affixed to the wheel how, he bried it contemplation of which taxed their ten parts behind my shoulders. courage and intelligence to the ex-

thing for it but father and Judith are est, the head was a woman's, the face determined to have my scalp, and for inread toward him, the face of Rose, hanged if I can see how to protect myself without taking a leaf out of their struggle! But one limit on my shoulbacks. What I'm ment afraid of it der andthat some time I may forest it's a What happened then was never quite woman I'm defending myself against, clear to him; he only knew that he When a fellow's fighting for his very was forced to fight for his very lifelife he can't always stop to calculate that the woman as soon as he came the weight of his blows."

head, laughed uncertainly, and held his throat, sinding her limbs round her closer to him. Don't fear: I'll his draweing him down and downfind some way out without injuring either of them. I promise you that!" He remembered later, must vaguely, If a sealed the pledge upon her lips the culmination of that duel henceth

ten to the world from some point for arm, drawing it back, delivering a ward a muffled crash sounded simul- blow from his shoulder, with all his taneously with the duil shock of a strength, finding himself free, strugcalitation with a smaller vessel, and a gling back to the air. strange voice cried out with an accent of high exultation

rush of booted feet pounding aft.

were giready taking shape through the of Eureus, and still bewildered, strugfog as Alan sprang toward the coin- gled reshly panion way to fetch the rifle. And in this action his feet slipped on planks to his senses. Easy, old top! Take greasy with moisture deposited by the it easy! You're all right now-rest a with a stumbling thump, and an into rise only as a prisoner, helpless in wales of a boat which proved to be the grasp of two pairs of powerful the stolen lifeboat.

no better case-jerked to tis feet and scious in the bow. held captive by two more fishermen. A fifth had taken charge of Rose, make sure that still she lived. Barcus clamping her wrists in the vise of restrained and quieted him-

ground its way astern, the loose end speaking!" of its painter alipping over the rail

it seemed Barrus bud gueraed shrewd-

Observing this, one of the men in charge of Alan made as if to leave him to the other, addressing Judita for permission to prevent the loss of the lifeboat. She stopped him with

a peremptory gostere. "No let it go. We're better off without it. Hold that man fest till I fearly a tope. We'll make sure of

them both this time!" Straining forward in the group of her guard. Rose implaced her sister;

Judith, in pity's name, think what you are doing Hold your tengue!" Judith snapped victority "Another whimper out at you, and I'll have you gassed!"

The belance of her threat though accompanied by the exhibition of an automatic pintal, was drowned out by the sudden rour of a steerouble for signal, so close aboard that it seemed almost to emanate from the lorspart like a shock of mortal par. of the schooner herself

As it was answered by abrill and the fog and the cold house cries of terror or of warning from a dozen throats, Alan found himself released his captors leaping for

He caught an instantaneous glimpse. power horn of a culboat crying the of the kulfe-like haw of a great steamwarning back to the deepthroated or towering above the two-masterwhich of a coastwise steamship and aweeping toward it of a speed which the impertment drumming of a motor- raised a amount jet of white under the

Someone abound the schooner, with This last board the compass, sound: the voice of a stentor, bellowed a ter-

"Stop your engines" Shut off your

Then, like the wrath of God, the altogether lost, if at times it finded, ship, its box seemed to allow through cheese And the two metves were fairly driven umber water by the frightful

Thunders deafening him. Alan was of course and was brought abourd at At freegular intervals, starting harted bodily through the air fully twenty first



Aware of several dark objects dot-He graped wildly | Keep cool! Don't

"Unin reach, fluing herhelf upon him The young man sighed, shook his like some muddened animal clutching Primilive lestinct alone waved him.

And in that moment of their chire the waters remembered freeing an Then a boathook caught the back of

his shirt and drugged him for some Before either Alan or the girl could distance until two strong hands caught disongage the decks rang loud with a him beneath the armpits and held his head above the water. The figures of the boarding party | He looked up witless's into the face

The other's voice brought him back

surcharged atmosphere. He went down minute, thep help me get you aboard." He obeyed controlling his panic as stant later two men fell bodily upon best he might, and presently, with him-active, strong fallows in the considerable assistance from Barcus, dress of fishermen. He was suffered contrived to scramble in over the gun-

He saw Barcus, rudely roused and held one other person only—the wom-Anide from Barcus and himself it still dumb with eleopy confusion, in an he loved, crumpled up and uncon-

He strove to rise and go to her, to.

"There! Easy, I say! She's all The sixth and sels other member of right-fainted-that's nil! She and I the hearding party, likewise in the took the water in practically the same rough-and ready garb of a figherman, epot, and luck threw this blessed hoat Down the side a heavy life-boat No trouble at all-in a manner of my way within half a dozen stroken.

"But the steamer-

she was making the end stopped within half a mb ; all right now-alth powers

to land." "But the others Judge" up and leaned over as a searching an oily, leader one ted only with a few splitters of wreekage. "I left her on

openious she'll drawn the "And I'll tell you some Mr. Barcus severely, Turn and shut up or l'il dent you to the shaft of an oar. Letter and a good job, I say! Don't the meaning of 'enough's w

heavens, man, you're the man But Alan wasn't listening was as lightless as the war awam beneath his lareing There was a horror in his la numbed even the sense of a deliverance, that penetrated Dead! Judith dead! Page

VALVES TWELVE FEET.

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